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1. Soviet-inspired acts of sabotage in 1949 were not carried out according to any specific or coordinated plan. Sabotage, in the main, consisted of isolated actions, carried out individually or by the few detachments of pro-Cominform partisans. Acts of sabotage have been limited almost exclusively to the Yugoslav railroad network.
2. The reported damage resulting from acts of sabotage are the following:
 - 64 dead and 110 wounded among Yugoslav railroad personnel;
 - 6 locomotives destroyed;
 - 24 passenger cars destroyed;
 - 58 freight cars destroyed;
 - 42 trucks destroyed.
3. The Cominform elements infiltrated into Yugoslavia primarily from neighboring countries. These elements generally consisted of former Yugoslavs who belonged to Hungarian and Rumanian minorities, and had left Yugoslavia during or after World War II. Their knowledge of the country and the language has rendered their infiltration relatively easy. Seventy percent of the partisans come from abroad, whereas thirty percent consist of Yugoslavs who are faithful to the Cominform. It has, furthermore, been reported that their infiltration and their activities are directed from a center located in Hungarian territory, close to the frontier.
4. Of the groups infiltrated from abroad, several groups have reportedly been equipped with W/T sets, according to a Hungarian officer in Szeged who observed the arrival of 11 such sets, manufactured by Standard, and which were reportedly to be sent into Yugoslavia.
5. The partisans have succeeded in acquiring some war materiel, essentially German armament of World War II. The Yugoslav Army has reportedly suffered 300 dead and approximately 500 wounded in skirmishes with the partisans, which partisans reportedly did not consist merely of pro-Cominform elements but also of former followers of Draza Mihailjlovic and Chetnik groups.

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